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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION - STAFFDEL STOPHER

REF: STATE 003414

1. Reftel authorized disbursement of maximum USG per diem rate in USD equivalent, plus USD 50 for actual cost, local transportation, and other expenses for Staffdel Stopher/Ennis/Parker travel. Request authorization to pay each Staffdel officer one additional day lodging at USG per diem rate for Bangkok (in USD equivalent) for the evening of 16 January. Given the early arrival of the Staffdel to Bangkok (06:10 hrs. on 17 January) the hotel will charge one extra night accommodation for evening of 16 January, to guarantee that rooms are ready upon arrival of Staffdel. Without paying the extra evening for 16 January, it is highly likely that rooms will not be ready upon Staffdel's arrival to the hotel morning of 17 January at 07:00 hours. Rooms will likely be available circa 1400.

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